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11, SUTTON LANE,  
BANSTEAD, SURREY.

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5<sup>th</sup> June 1969

Dear Mr North,

You may remember my visiting your Society one Thursday, Saturday the end of April when we had a pleasant chat and you were kind enough to give me a lift in your car back to Times Sq. I called again on the Friday as arranged by Mr Granthal, but was unfortunately not able to greet you then or say goodbye. The object of this letter is to thank you & Mr Granthal for your courteous reception during my visit and at the same time ask a question.

Is there any member of your staff who is likely to come to England in the course of 1970 who would care to give

a talk on the coinage of the U.S.A.?

The London Numismatic Club of which I am the current President, has over the years had many talks on different coinages & aspects of numismatics from a wide range of distinguished speakers but we have never so far had the privilege of welcoming an American or hearing a talk on the coinage of the United States & therefore there is anyone on your Staff who would care to accept such an invitation we should be delighted to see him or her. The thought occurs to me that you yourself might possibly be considering a visit to these shores on one of your English connections — if so, I and the members of my Club would be extremely pleased to see you.

I should explain perhaps that the London Numismatic Club operates on

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a more "popular" level than the Royal Numismatic Society and the talk to our members need not therefore be a "paper" in their sense. We have about 170 members, several of whom collect U.S.A. coins, and we meet regularly every month throughout the year.

I should very grateful for a note from you and meantime send you and your colleagues kind regards.

Yours sincerely  
P. J. BRIDGE

PS I would be glad if you will give

my compliments to Mrs Waggoner  
who very kindly helped me to view  
your Byzantine collection in the  
absence of Miss Fagerhi

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY  
(FOUNDED 1858 - INCORPORATED 1865)  
BROADWAY BETWEEN 155<sup>TH</sup> AND 156<sup>TH</sup> STS  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10032

June 10, 1969

Mr. Eric P. Newman

Dear Eric,

I enclose a letter received today from a recent visitor to our premises, which you may peruse at your leisure and need not return.

Regarding his request for a speaker on the subject of U.S. coinage, I have taken the liberty of giving him your name and address, since none of our qualified staff members expects to be in England in the foreseeable future.

I can't think of anyone more able or highly qualified than yourself, and if you are able to avail yourself of the invitation I'm sure Mr. Ridge will be delighted. Anyway, I thought I would forward his letter, so that you'll know what it's all about.

Kindest personal regards,  
and I hope we'll see you at the next council meeting.

Sincerely,

Geoff North

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4<sup>th</sup> July 1969

Dear Mr Newman,

The London Numismatic Club, of which I am President, is seeking someone to address it on the subject of the USA coinage, preferably an American. It has been suggested to me by Mr G North whom I recently met in New York, that as you have occasion to visit England from time to time, you might care to accept to accept such an invitation. We should be most grateful if you could see your way to doing this in 1970.

We are not a learned society in the manner of the Royal Numismatic Society (although many of us belong to that) but our members have a wide interest in

all aspects of numismatics, ancient, medieval & modern and there are of course a number who study the coinage of the United States. Our premises are not as sumptuous as those of your own A.N.S. but we have a comfortable meeting hall in Central London with facilities for slide projection etc. We meet once a month.

If you could see yourself able to visit us we should greatly appreciate it.

With cordial greetings

Yours sincerely

Franklin

(R. N. BRIDGE)

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

August 6, 1969

Mr. R. W. Bridge  
Greensleeves  
11, Sutton Lane  
Banstead, Surrey, England

Dear Mr. Bridge:

You were very nice to ask me to address a meeting of the London Numismatic Club some time in 1970 and it is a compliment to receive such a request.

At the present time I have no particular plans to come to Europe but you may feel assured that I will notify you in the event an opportunity arises. We do travel considerably.

A number of subjects might interest your members, one in particular, namely, British Influence on Early American Coinage and Currency. I would not propose to fight the American Revolution over again with respect to monetary matters but feel that there are many interesting numismatic features during that period which would be of interest to your members.

It also occurred to me that a joint meeting of the Royal Numismatic Society and the London Numismatic Society is a possibility and I wonder if that ever takes place.

Is it possible for you to do me a favor? I have unsuccessfully tried, in America, to obtain a copy of the fourth edition of "Shakespeare's Bawdy", by Eric Partridge. The American publishers are very vague about whether it has or has not been published. It has been published, in England, by Routledge & Kegan Paul, Ltd. at 35s hardback, and 18s paper back. Would it be possible for you to buy a copy for me and send it to me? I will gladly reimburse you. I cannot order it direct from England because, apparently, the American franchise rights have been granted to the publishers who have not published it. As above indicated, I only need the fourth edition, as I do have the previous editions.

Thank you, again, for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN  
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13<sup>th</sup> Sept 69

Dear Mr Newman,

Thank you for your  
kind letter of 6<sup>th</sup> August

I am sure the subject you propose  
for a lecture would be most acceptable to  
the members of my club. Normally we make  
our arrangements many months ahead so  
late 1970 or 1971 would be the most  
acceptable dates. If you have any idea  
when you are likely to come to England  
next will you let me know? The Royal  
Mammalian Society and the London Hum-  
anitarian Club never have joint meetings  
as they differ in scope, the RMS being  
a "learned society" with papers at a high

level - but virtually no social activity at all, whereas the L.N.C. is a Club, with a lot of social intercourse. It is not on a low level (we have many distinguished speakers) - but we do not regard the real paper as everything.

I have prepared you a copy of Eric Partridge's book, and although it is not specifically labelled the fourth edition it is dated 1968 and must I think be the volume you require. I am sending it by separate mail: the cost is £2. I do hope it is what you want.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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17<sup>th</sup> Dec 69

Mr Eric F Newman  
6450 Cecil Ave  
St Louis 5.

Dear Mr Newman,

On 13<sup>th</sup> September I wrote to you in answer to your kind letter of 6<sup>th</sup> August and the following day posted off to you by separate mail a copy of Eric Partridge's "Shakespeare's Bawdy" (4<sup>th</sup> edition 1969). I am a little surprised to have heard nothing from you since and would be glad to know if you received the book.

With the season's greetings

Yours sincerely

John B. Sargeant

(R. N. BRIDGE)

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

January 5, 1970

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11, Sutton Lane  
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A number of us are particularly disturbed at the Glendenning auction having offered for sale previously unknown American numismatic material. This has been taking place over the last few years at intervals and many of us are having our doubts concerning the propriety of new unknown material appearing so often.

I have not forgotten your kind invitation with respect to addressing the London Numismatic Society and one of these days I am hopeful that I will be in England and be able to give such a program.

My kindest regards.

Sincerely,

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May 10, 1971

Mr. R. W. Bridge  
Greensleeves  
11, Sutton Lane  
Banstead, Surrey, England

Dear Mr. Bridge:

I plan to be in London from about June 2 to the morning of June 5, 1971.

A year or so ago you asked me if I would talk to the London Numismatic Society and it occurred to me that there might be some get-together during those few days. I am leaving for Europe tomorrow.

I realize that there is little chance that this can happen, but if you wish to write me c/o Mr. Kirk Wilson, Briar Bend, Fulwood Avenue, Tarleton, Mr. Preston, Lancs. England, I will pick up your communication and see what you have to suggest. I would have notified you sooner, but, unfortunately, I have had to shift dates several times. If an informal get-together between you and a few of your members would be more practical, there certainly would be no objection to that.

Most cordially,

Eric P. Newman  
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